

Saanich Commonwealth Place (SCP) Aquatic Event Facility Host Requirements

Saanich Commonwealth Place is proud to host High Performance, Community and School Aquatic Events. Our goal is to continue the legacy of the 1994 Commonwealth Games where competitive and high performance athletes can combine with recreational users in a common athletic facility and strive to meet their personal best. We hope that while you visit our world class facility your coaches, athletes, officials, and volunteers take pride in being a part of this legacy and help us in creating a safe, diverse, and inclusive environment by respecting the following standards:

Coaches and officials are asked to model and encourage facility standards throughout the duration of the event.

- Observing the Visitor Code of Conduct while in Saanich Recreation Facilities
- Removing street/outdoor shoes prior to going onto the pool deck: This includes athletes, coaches, officials, and volunteers. Clean nonslip deck shoes can be worn.
- Food is not permitted on the pool deck. Garbage, recycling, and compost centres are available for use in many areas of the building.
- Per Swim BC Warm-Up Safety Procedures, Athletes must enter the pool feet first in a cautious manner and exit the pool via the side lanes to ensure safety and protect the integrity of the equipment.
- Athletes are required to swim under the lane ropes (not over) to protect the integrity of the equipment.
- Swimming Canada and SCP would like to remind coaches and their athletes that deck changing is strongly discouraged. Athletes are asked to please use the facility's change rooms, or on-deck changing tents if available.
- Glass bottles are not permitted on the pool deck or in changerooms.
- The CRD Parks Bylaw prohibits smoking (including e-cigarettes/vapes/cannabis),
- Alcohol is not permitted without appropriate permits and licenses.
- Athletes need to dry off and wear proper footwear while in lobby areas and café.
- Saanich staff are solely responsible for, moving and maintaining technical equipment. Unless discussed prior to event.
- In the event of an emergency, event organizers and volunteers are asked to follow the directions of Saanich staff and assist with these procedures.
- Visiting Clubs who wish to request practice time prior to an event must do so in advance. Any available water will be assigned on a first come first serve basis unless otherwise arranged by event host. **Athletes and coaches attending public lane times is not permitted.**